ARTS R4 Life

Rekindle - Reflect - Reconnect - Renew

Saturday, September 7, 2019 (One-day) Meredith College, Raleigh, NC

Registration:

\$40.00 early-bird registration (early bird deadline: July 31, 2019) \$50.00 regular registration \$25.00 presenter/partner registration \$20.00 college/university student registration

The North Carolina Department of Public Instruction is partnering with Meredith College to host the fifth annual "ARTS R4 Life" professional development conference for NC K-12 Arts Educators in Dance, Music, Theatre Arts, and Visual Arts. Pre-service arts educators and faculty from institutes of Higher Education interested in K-12 Arts Education are also encouraged to attend. The conference is scheduled to take place on Saturday, September 7, 2019, and will be preceded by the Arts Education Think Tank, Arts Education Coordinators, and Arts Education Leadership Coalition meetings on Friday, September 6, 2019.

This conference is an opportunity for arts educators to develop personalized multi-disciplinary learning experiences and have cross-sector learning and collaboration around the 4R's:

- Rekindle your artistic spirit by participating in hands-on arts experiences
- Reflect on the profession through deepening your understanding of the standards to support student learning and growth
- Reconnect with colleagues and professional organizations
- **Renew** your body and mind through expressive, contemplative, and rejuvenating experiences designed to promote your well-being



This conference supports NC's vision for Comprehensive Arts Education as part of a well-rounded education for all NC school children and has sessions and opportunities that address Arts Education, Arts Integration, and Arts Exposure.

Registration is on a first-come-first-served basis. Please complete this registration form: http://bit.ly/Artsr4life19. Once registered, you will receive a confirmation email with your invoice for payment of the registration fee. NCDPI must receive payment by August 30, 2019. Registration includes morning refreshments, lunch, and access to all sessions and materials. Lunch is buffet style in the Meredith College dining hall so participants can customize choices to fit dietary needs. If using school funds, please ensure that 2019-2020 year funds are used.

Certificates of Participation: Upon completion of an online evaluation participants will receive a Certificate of Participation for 10 hours (1.0 CEU credit, with prior approval from the school system).

Conference Overview: Check-in for the conference begins at 8:00am in Jones Auditorium at Meredith College. After checking in, participants may enjoy light refreshments and visit the student art exhibit in Johnson Hall prior to the opening welcome and orientation session. Your feedback from last year indicated that this was an approach to easing congestion around the registration area as well as providing time and space for breakfast and networking with our valued partners. Of course, if you are running late you can simply check in immediately prior to the opening session in Jones at 9am.

The conference continues with hands'-on, arts-based sessions and activities, panels and discussions, exhibits and performances, and networking opportunities. This conference provides a unique opportunity for arts educators to learn within and outside of their discipline expertise. We encourage participants to explore sessions in areas that are new or different from their everyday classroom experiences.

Throughout the conference, you are encouraged to visit the "Common Area," where you will find myriad resources and opportunities to help you reconnect with colleagues and professional organizations. Tables housing materials and resources from the Arts Education Leadership Coalition (comprised of representatives from all of the NC Arts Education Professional Associations) and statewide partner organizations (such as the NC Arts Council, A+ Schools Program, NC Symphony, NC Museum of Art, and others) will be available throughout the day. Additionally, hands-on arts participation experiences will be hosted by some of these organizations.

The conference concludes with professional planning and reflection time.

Highlights for ArtsR4Life 2019:

• A rich variety of sessions that are aligned to the 4R's and address one or more components of NC's vision for Comprehensive Arts Education





- Sessions provided by NC Arts Education Think Tank Members, A+Schools of North Carolina, NC Arts Education Professional Associations and Partner Organizations, and Meredith College.
- Opportunities to interact with NC Arts Education Professional Associations for all disciplines (Dance, Music, Theatre Arts, and Visual Arts) in one place!
- Representation by all of NC's state level arts agencies (<u>NC Department of Public Instruction</u>, <u>NC Arts Council</u> (including the <u>A+ Schools of North Carolina</u> and <u>Arts in Education Programs</u>), <u>NC Museum of Art</u>, <u>NC Symphony</u>, and <u>Southeastern Center for Contemporary Art</u>) in one place!
- Cross-sector collaboration with pre-service teachers, educators, administrators, and higher education representatives across all disciplines

Thank you very much for your interest in participating in the 5th annual ARTSR4Life Conference!

For questions about the conference, please contact: Dr. Lori Carlin (Lori.Carlin@dpi.nc.gov). For questions specific to your registration or payment, please contact: Bernadette Cole (Bernadette.Cole@dpi.nc.gov or 919-807-3847).